

**FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2011**

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
<b>9:30 a.m.: Morning Hour</b> <b>11:30 a.m.: Legislative Business</b>  <b>Fifteen "One Minutes" per side</b>	<b>12:30 – 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>6:00 – 7:00 p.m.</b>

At approximately 2:30 p.m., the House will recess until approximately 3:45 p.m., to allow for a security sweep of the House Chamber. At approximately 4:00 p.m., the House will convene a joint meeting with the Senate for the purpose of receiving an address from His Excellency, Lee Myung-bak, President of the Republic of Korea. Following the joint meeting, the House is expected to resume general debate of H.R. 358.

**\*\*Members are advised that votes are expected following the Joint Meeting.**

**H.Res. 430 - Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 358 - Protect Life Act (Rep. Pitts – Energy and Commerce/Ways and Means) (one hour of debate)** The Rules committee has recommended a closed Rule that allows no amendments to be considered on the Floor of the House. It provides one hour of general debate equally divided between the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The closed Rule allows one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. It also waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.

**Complete Consideration of H.R. 2250 - EPA Regulatory Relief Act of 2011 (Rep. Griffith – Energy and Commerce)** H.R. 2250 - EPA Regulatory Relief Act of 2011 (Rep. Griffith – Energy and Commerce) (one hour of debate) The bill blocks the implementation of four EPA rules that would reduce allowable emissions of mercury, cadmium, particulates and other toxic air pollutants originating from boilers and incinerators.

The measure requires the EPA to issue new regulations to replace the four original proposals within 15 months of enactment. Regulated facilities would have to be given at least 5 years to comply with any new rules.

The Rule for H.R. 2250 was adopted on 10/4 and it allows any amendment submitted and printed in the Congressional Record to be in order for consideration under the 5 minute Rule. Pro Forma amendments are also allowed under the Rule.

The following amendment has recorded votes pending:

**Cohen (TN) Amendment.** Requires EPA to develop a compliance schedule for the new boiler rules that considers the need to bring such rules into effect to reduce illness-related absences from work due to respiratory or other illnesses

**H.R. 358 - Protect Life Act (Rep. Pitts – Energy and Commerce/Ways and Means)** Under the health care law (PPACA), insurance plans that receive federal funds and cover abortion services must keep those funds segregated, and individuals must use their own private dollars to pay for abortion services.

This unnecessary measure would prohibit the use of federal funds to purchase insurance plans that cover abortion services. It would also require any insurance provider that offers a health plan with abortion coverage must also offer an identical plan without the abortion coverage. And it would provide "conscience protections" for medical professionals and health care entities that refuse to provide abortion services or referrals for such services.

This bill goes far beyond current law and the Hyde amendment. It clearly goes further than the regulation of federal funds. It makes the job of private insurance companies so artificially complicated and unworkable as to force them from the market. It takes anti-abortion politics far beyond where they have been for the decades of the Hyde Amendment and it creates an undue burden on how people can exercise their own choices with their own money. It is an ideological and unnecessary piece of legislation.

This bill is not a jobs bill. Despite repeated promises from GOP leadership to bring jobs legislation to the Floor, this is another bill that seeks to further the ideological agenda and will do nothing to create jobs.



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**Background for H.R. 358:**

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## **TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK**

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Friday, October 14: The House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to consider [H.R. 2273](#) - Coal Residuals Reuse and Management Act (Rep. McKinley - Energy and Commerce) (Subject to a Rule)

### **The Daily Quote**

"Even though the United States Senate on Tuesday blocked President Obama's jobs bill, the legislation's specifics -- as well as the idea of taxing the wealthy to pay for it -- are popular with the American public, according to a new NBC News/Wall Street Journal poll...when the legislation's details are included in a follow-up question -- that it would cut payroll taxes, fund new road construction, extend unemployment benefits, and that it would be paid for by increasing taxes on the wealthy -- 63 percent say they favor the bill and 32 percent oppose it. What's more, 64 percent of respondents agree with the statement that it is a 'good idea' to raise taxes on the wealthy and corporations, because they should pay their fair share..."

- NBC/Wall Street Journal Poll, 10/12/11